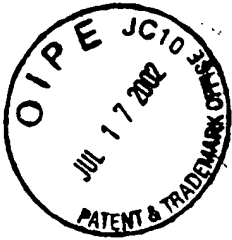


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 12, 2002, kindly enter the following amendments:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly Amend the Claims as Follows:

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c1 | Claim 1 (amended) - A tanning bed comprising in combination:

31 | a plurality of modules selected from the group including a tanning bed, a canopy, a bed support, a canopy support, and a ballast assembly collectively defining components of said tanning bed,

and knock-down coupling means integral with said components for easily removing and assembling said components into an operational tanning bed.

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c1 | Claim 8 (amended) - A tanning bed comprising in combination:

32 | a plurality of modules collectively defining components of said tanning bed, said components including a pair of spaced bench supports including a ballast